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SENATE BILL No. 431

DIGEST OF SB 431 (Updated February 28, 2001 1:01 PM - DI 104)

Citations Affected: IC 12-13; IC 12-15; IC 12-17.6; IC 25-14.

Synopsis: Sharing of dental care information. Requires each county office of family and children to provide to specified entities a list of dentists in the county who participate in the Medicaid Hoosier Healthwise program. Requires the division of family and children to collaborate with the office of Medicaid policy and planning and the state department of health to establish programs that facilitate children's access to oral health services. Defines "mobile dentist". Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning and the office of the children's health insurance program to encourage the parent of a child recipient to select a primary dental provider for the child before the child is 18 months old. Requires a mobile dentist to be licensed. Requires a mobile dentist who provides dental services to a child to: (1) refer the child to a licensed dentist with a dental office in the county in which the treatment took place or an adjoining county if the child does not have a dentist of record; (2) forward the child's diagnostic and treatment records to the child's dentist of record or the dentist to whom the mobile dentist refers the child; (3) inform the child's parent that the mobile dentist's treatment of the child is not comprehensive dental care and that the treatment may affect certain benefits for which the child is eligible; and (4) provide the parent of a child treated by the mobile dentist with a telephone number that the parent may call 24 hours per day to determine how to access emergency dental care.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

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January 18, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

March 1, 2001, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 12-13-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2001]:

4 **Chapter 15. Dental Care Information for Indiana Children**
5 **Sec. 1. Each county office of family and children shall provide**
6 **to the following entities in the county a list of dentists practicing in**
7 **the county who provide dental services under the Medicaid**
8 **program (IC 12-15) or the children's health insurance program**
9 **(IC 12-17.6):**
10 (1) Head Start programs (42 U.S.C. 9831 et seq.).
11 (2) Women, infants, and children nutrition programs (as
12 defined in IC 16-35-1.5-5).
13 (3) Maternal and child health clinics (as defined in
14 IC 16-46-5-5).
15 (4) The local health department.
16 (5) School nurses appointed under IC 20-8.1-7-5.
17 (6) Child care centers licensed under IC 12-17.2-4.

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1 **Sec. 2.** The division shall collaborate with the office of Medicaid
 2 policy and planning established by IC 12-8-6-1 and the state
 3 department of health established by IC 16-19-1-1 to establish
 4 programs that facilitate children's access to oral health services.

5 SECTION 2. IC 12-15-10-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 6 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 7 1, 2001]: **Sec. 6.** The office shall encourage the parent of a child
 8 who is a recipient of Medicaid to select a primary dental provider
 9 for the child before the child is eighteen (18) months of age.

10 SECTION 3. IC 12-17.6-4-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 11 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 12 1, 2001]: **Sec. 7.** The office shall encourage the parent of a child
 13 who is enrolled in the program to select a primary dental provider
 14 for the child before the child is eighteen (18) months of age.

15 SECTION 4. IC 25-14-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
 16 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 17 1, 2001]:

18 **Chapter 5. Mobile Dentists**

19 **Sec. 1. (a)** As used in this chapter, "mobile dentist" means an
 20 individual who:

- 21 (1) provides dental services; and
- 22 (2) does not have a physically stationary office in the county
 23 where the services are provided.

24 **(b)** The term includes an individual who provides dental services
 25 through:

- 26 (1) a mobile health care vehicle; or
- 27 (2) the use of portable dental equipment.

28 **Sec. 2.** A mobile dentist must be licensed under IC 25-14-1.

29 **Sec. 3.** A mobile dentist providing dental services to a child shall
 30 do all of the following:

- 31 (1) If the child does not have a dentist of record, refer the
 32 child for subsequent dental services to a dentist who is
 33 licensed under IC 25-14-1 and who has a dental office in:

34 (A) the county; or

35 (B) a county adjoining the county;

36 in which the treatment by the mobile dentist took place.

- 37 (2) Forward the child's diagnostic and treatment records to:

38 (A) the child's dentist of record; or

39 (B) if the child does not have a dentist of record, the dentist
 40 to whom the mobile dentist refers the child under
 41 subdivision (1).

- 42 (3) Inform the child's parent that the mobile dentist's



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1 treatment of the child:

2 (A) is not comprehensive dental care; and

3 (B) may affect the benefits that the child may receive
4 under:

5 (i) private insurance;

6 (ii) Medicaid (IC 12-15); or

7 (iii) the children's health insurance program
8 (IC 12-17.6).

9 Sec. 4. A mobile dentist shall provide the parent of a child
10 treated by the mobile dentist with a telephone number that the
11 parent may call twenty-four (24) hours per day to determine how
12 to access emergency dental care that is reasonably accessible to the
13 parent and child.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 431, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 5.

Page 1, delete lines 10 through 17.

Page 2, delete line 1.

Page 2, line 2, delete "Sec. 2." and insert "**Sec. 1.**".

Page 2, line 15, delete "Sec. 3." and insert "**Sec. 2.**".

Page 2, delete lines 19 through 24, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 12-15-10-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 6. The office shall encourage the parent of a child who is a recipient of Medicaid to select a primary dental provider for the child before the child is eighteen (18) months of age.**

SECTION 3. IC 12-17.6-4-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 7. The office shall encourage the parent of a child who is enrolled in the program to select a primary dental provider for the child before the child is eighteen (18) months of age.**

SECTION 4. IC 25-14-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]:

Chapter 5. Mobile Dentists

Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, "mobile dentist" means an individual who:

- (1) provides dental services; and**
- (2) does not have a physically stationary office in the county where the services are provided.**

(b) The term includes an individual who provides dental services through:

- (1) a mobile health care vehicle; or**
- (2) the use of portable dental equipment.**

Sec. 2. A mobile dentist must be licensed under IC 25-14-1.

Sec. 3. A mobile dentist providing dental services to a child shall do all of the following:

- (1) If the child does not have a dentist of record, refer the child for subsequent dental services to a dentist who is licensed under IC 25-14-1 and who has a dental office in:**

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- (A) the county; or
 - (B) a county adjoining the county;
- in which the treatment by the mobile dentist took place.
- (2) Forward the child's diagnostic and treatment records to:
- (A) the child's dentist of record; or
 - (B) if the child does not have a dentist of record, the dentist to whom the mobile dentist refers the child under subdivision (1).
- (3) Inform the child's parent that the mobile dentist's treatment of the child:
- (A) is not comprehensive dental care; and
 - (B) may affect the benefits that the child may receive under:
 - (i) private insurance;
 - (ii) Medicaid (IC 12-15); or
 - (iii) the children's health insurance program (IC 12-17.6).

Sec. 4. A mobile dentist shall provide the parent of a child treated by the mobile dentist with a telephone number that the parent may call twenty-four (24) hours per day to determine how to access emergency dental care that is reasonably accessible to the parent and child."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 431 as introduced.)

MILLER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

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